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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Ryan et al.

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For: NICKEL BLOW MOLD AND HOLDER DEFINING COOLING PASSAGE

THEREBETWEEN

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents Box Non-Fee Amendment Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant submits this preliminary amendment and response prior to an office action being received, and within three months of receiving the Filing Receipt, which was mailed on February 6, 2002. Applicant was unable to timely file the attached Information Disclosure Statement or this preliminary amendment due to this application being contained within the U.S. Postal Office. Accordingly, applicant requests that this IDS and preliminary amendment be considered timely.

Amendment:

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To the Title:

Change the title from "NICKEL BLOW MOLD AND HOLDER DEFINING COOLING PASSAGE THEREBETWEEN" to NICKEL BLOW MOLD AND HOLDER DEFINING HEAT TRANSFER PASSAGES THEREBETWEEN".